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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

March 13, 1984

Honorable Dan Burton 120 Cannon House Office Building Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Dan:

Thank you for your letter of March 2, 1984 requesting access to the Committee's files on international terrorism.

The Committee's holdings on terrorism run the gamut from selections of finished intelligence analysis on specific terrorist activities to numerous references in budget materials. They are not centrally referenced nor do they comprehensively cover the subject. One reason for this is that the Committee's limited storage capacity has imposed a regime of high selectivity in its record retention practices.

I gather, on the basis of conversations with your office, that your interest in the subject is catholic. I therefore hope you will agree that it would suit your purpose better to speak directly with intelligence officials concerning U.S. intelligence activities directed at international terrorism. I understand that the Central Intelligence Agency is willing to provide information on this subject and respond to your questions. Your office need only contact Mr. Clair George, Director of the Office of Legislative Liaison, who is expecting to hear from you. at

I trust that your discussions at CIA will assist your inquiry about international terrorism and that if questions about the Committee's oversight of U.S. intelligence activities concerning international terrorism arise, you will then direct them to the Committee.

ncerely yours

With every good wish, I am

Chairman

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Hon. Edward P. Boland Chairman, House Select Committee on Intelligence H405 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Boland:

Last week I had the opportunity to meet with Mr. Robert Sayre from the State Department and our colleague Elliott Levitas to discuss the ramifications of international terrorism. We discussed in further detail material which was presented during the Subcommittee on Legislation and National Security meeting for members only on February 7, 1984.

At the meeting with Mr. Sayre and Mr. Levitas, I learned that the Select Committee on Intelligence has done extensive research on international terrorism. It was recommmended that I come and see these files. I respectfully request of the committee that I be allowed to view these files sometime in the near future.

If you need any further information, please call me or Adrienne Cordova of my staff at X52276.

Thank you for your consideration.

Dan Burton

Sincerely

Member of Congress